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PRAYER IN SCHOOLS

In 1958, a school in the State of New York started using a prayer as a day opening recitation, but with the policy that no child was to be required or encouraged to join in the prayer against his wishes. The daily use of prayer was challenged as a violation of both the Federal and State Constitutions.

The prayer was as follows: "Almighty God, we acknowledge our dependence upon thee, and we beg thy blessings upon us, our parents, our teachers and our country."

The New York Court of Appeals, in a split decision, held the prayer was constitutional. We feel that the Court's decision was sound. The case has now been appealed to the Supreme Court of the United States.

We have never favored any sect or denomination being permitted to conduct religious classes in tax supported public schools.

However, that a prayer such as the above violated the Constitution would violate all American history. It would destroy a sacred foundation of the American governmental structure. The prayer simply acknowledges the existence of a Supreme Being, and such an acknowledgement is found in the federal and in all State Constitutions. We even have imprinted on our coins. Surely the Supreme Court will not not order the mints to refrain from printing "In God We Trust," on our coins!

FAMILY BREAKDOWN

America's number one social problem is family breakdown, according to the Family Service Association of America.

This observation is fortified by the following facts:

1() a tripling of the rate of illegitimacy in the past two decades;

(2) a divorce rate of one in four marriages;

(3) A delinquency rate tripled since 1940;

(4) and an annual admission rate to mental hospitals of more than 200 thousand persons.

We find that behind these statistics not just individuals, but whole groups of people are affected. These social ills are but a small part of the result- pattern constituting family breakdown in America.

Most Americans realize that the strength of the nation depends upon strong families, and that when the family unit fails, eventually the nation will fail.

A first step in reversing this unfortunate trend, is for adults to assume more responsibility in setting a good example. Children cannot be disciplined by parents who, themselves, do not set a good example. A child cannot be taught concern for his fellow man by a self-centered parent.

There are some who feel that it is high time that the father took back the family leadership. It is also true, that the mother is the one with greatest responsibility as to the inculcation of character in the children. This is a decision in which we do not venture positive statements. It may vary from one family to another. However, we do state that we need to do some sound thinking as to the strength of our family life, and that just to drift along is not helping our great nation.

FLUE-CURED TOBACCO REFERENDUM

A final appeal to growers to vote in the flue-cured tobacco referendum was sounded today by the head of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service State Office in Richmond.

The vote will be held Tuesday, December 12, in each of Virginia's flue-cured tobacco producing counties to decide whether marketing quotas will be in effect on the 1962, 1963 and 1964 crops. Quotas on flue-cured tobacco have been in operation continously since 1940.

W. T. Powers, ASCS State executive Director, put the question on the continuation of quotas squarely up to growers themselves. "It is their program," he said, "and it is up to tobacco growers to show sufficient interest in the program to vote in this referendum."

Failure to vote, Powers stated, may well be construed as a lack of interest in the allotment and quota system as well as support prices on flue-cured tobacco.

"Many people will be watching closely the size of the flue-cured vote on December 12." Powers said "They will be watching to see how many growers vote as an appraisal of what flue-cured farmers want. With only 9 per cent of our population living on farms today, it is more important than ever that farmers take advantage of every opportunity they have to express themselves. For this reason I strongly advise each and every flue-cured tobacco farmer to take a few minutes out to vote on December 12."

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Rev. Winfred Elder preached a ... sermon at Central Church Sunday A. M.

The Gideons will preach at Central next Sunday A. M., after Sunday School.

The W. M. U. met in the following homes last week: Miss Emma ...'s Monday P. M., Mrs. Elliott ...'s Wednesday P. M., and Mrs. ... Harvey's Friday P. M.

We are glad to hear that Mr. M. Trent is recovering from the ... suffered more than a week ago. Also glad to hear Richard ... has returned home from the hospital and getting along fine.

Mrs. Dan Irby and son, D. B. and Miss Shirley Scott spent Sunday in N. C. with Mr. and Mrs. ... Irby.

Mrs. Dan Irby received announcement of the birth of a son to Rev. and Mrs. Crawford Williams of Tenn. Mrs. Williams is the former Gaynell Irby.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Ferguson visited Mrs. Leonard Cawthorn on Sunday P. M.

Billy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moore, is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jordan visited Mr. M. A. Trent in Lynchburg General Hospital.

Mrs. Stinnett and daughter and Mrs. Harris and son, who work at G. E. in Lynchburg, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Mann Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mann called to see Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cyrus Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus were celebrating their golden wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Woodson visited his sister, Miss Ruth Woodson Friday P. M.

Mrs. Floyd Smith has been on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mullin and son, Andy spent the week-end with relatives in Richmond.

Mr. Jack Jones, of Richmond, spent Friday with his brother, Vernie and hunted.

Mrs. Vernie Jones received word that her half-brother, Curtis Fore is ill and in the hospital at Smithfield, N. C.

Colored Dots

A large crowd attended the regular preaching services at Galilee Baptist Church last Sunday morning and evening service. The pastor delivered a special sermon from the subject: "Have you been to the pool" at the morning service and the senior choir rendered special music. Immediately following the morning service a report from the rally was made by the following ladies: Miss H. B. Steptoe, $39.00; Mrs. Mattie Lawson, $38.00; Mrs. Florence Lawing $19.00. Including the general offering a total of $122.75 was reported.

The evening service began at 7:30. The program was given for the benefit of Virginia Seminary and College. The Rev. James Franklin delivered a special sermon. The following leaders reported the following amounts: Mrs. Stewart Robinson, $11.75; Mrs. Thelma Hancock, $8.00; Mr. William B. Turner, $13.75; Mrs. C. D. Beasley, $44.00 with the general offering a total of $91.60 was reported. Special music was rendered by the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church choir.

The Rev. G. N. Marshall and the Peaceful Grove Baptist Church choir will be the special guest at the annual Men's Day program at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church on this second Sunday at 3 P. M.

The Long Mountain Lodge No 204 will give their annual banquet at the Carver Price High School on Sunday evening Dec. 17 at 3 P. M. Grand Master W. W. Pierce will be the guest.

The regular quarterely church meeting will be held at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church this Saturday evening at 2:30.

We are happy to report the local Carver Price High School Basket Ball team has made an excellent start. They won their first two games of the season. They will play the following home games this season. Dec. 1, Bedford; Dec. 8, Nelson; Dec. 10 Northside: Dec. 16, ...; Jan. 19, Central of Amherest. Campbell; Jan, 5, Central H. S. of Charlotte Court House; G. Woodson; Jan. 19, Central of Amherst; Feb. 2, Russell Grove; and Feb 9, ...

... happy to hear that Mrs. ... Stevens is improving after ... in Lynchburg General ...

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... warns labor on inflicts.

... satellite hailed as success by Navy.

Forestry Division Offers Fine Service to Woodland Owner

Mr. or Mrs. Landowner, are you managing your timberland or letting it manage you?

Many landowners all over the state are not aware of the service offered to them free of charge by the Division of Forestry for timberland management assistance. The purpose of this article is not to advertise, but rather to inform those individuals so that they can recognize the need and request assistance. Timberland owners have many questions concerning their trees on which the Division tries to renders answers or assistance. Are my trees ready for harvesting? Why don't my trees get larger in diameter. What should I do with this cut-over area? Should I consider planting the area I am going to cut over? What is wrong with the trees that are dying? Who buys pulpwood and sawlogs?

There are many more quesions encountered every week.

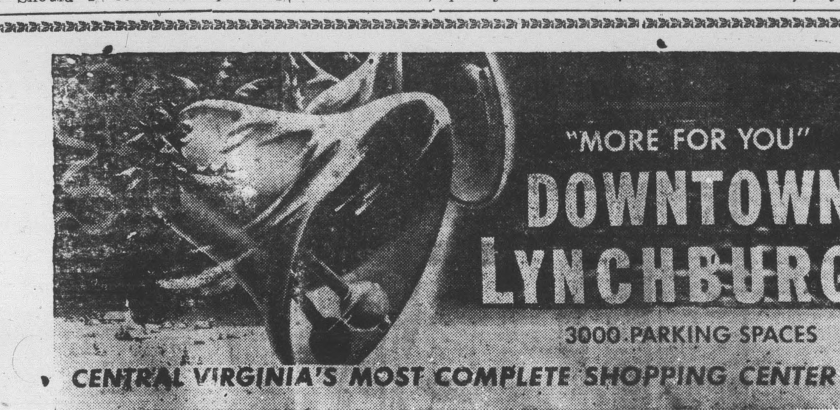
To obtain answers, the landowners may request assistance from the Virginia Division of Forestry Office, the Forester, or the Chief Forest Warden in his county. In most cases a timberland examination is in order. Upon receiving the request, the forester contacts the landowner to determine his needs, and locate property boundaries. In examining the tract he determines such things as the existing species, age, the rate of growth, density of stocking, products available, quality of the timber, and any other pertinent information which will help him to determine the type of management that should be considered for a given area. A report is written and sent to the landowner.

No charges are made to the land owner for the examination or any non-marking service given to the owner. A nominal fee is charged however, for marking service which is a direct asset to the landowner.

After receiving the report and considering the recommendations, it is up to the landowner to see that the work is carried out.

The Division assists in giving on-the-ground demonstrations on locating planting or cutting crews, but we do not cut, buy or sell any timber, or plant any seedlings for private landowners. Many times it is suggested that an area be planted with pine seedlings. This way, idle or cut-over land can be put to use and at the same time be an investment for the owner.

Timber and its products will be more in demand in the future, not only because of the versatility of wood, but also because of the expected large increase in population.



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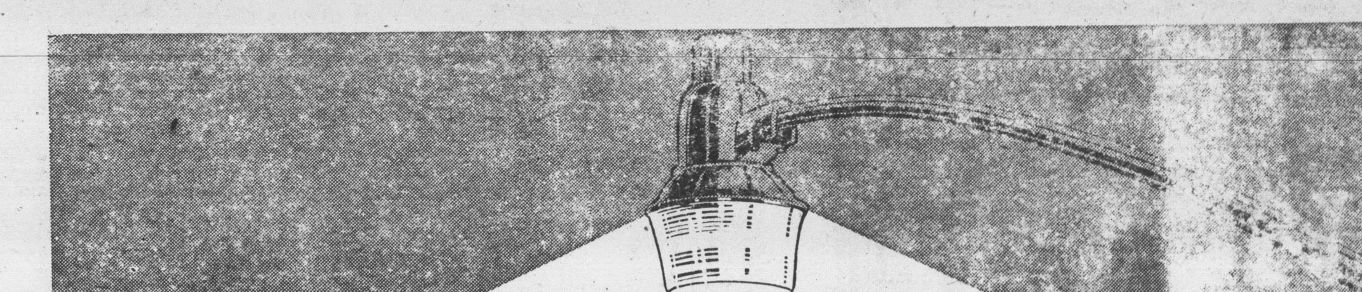

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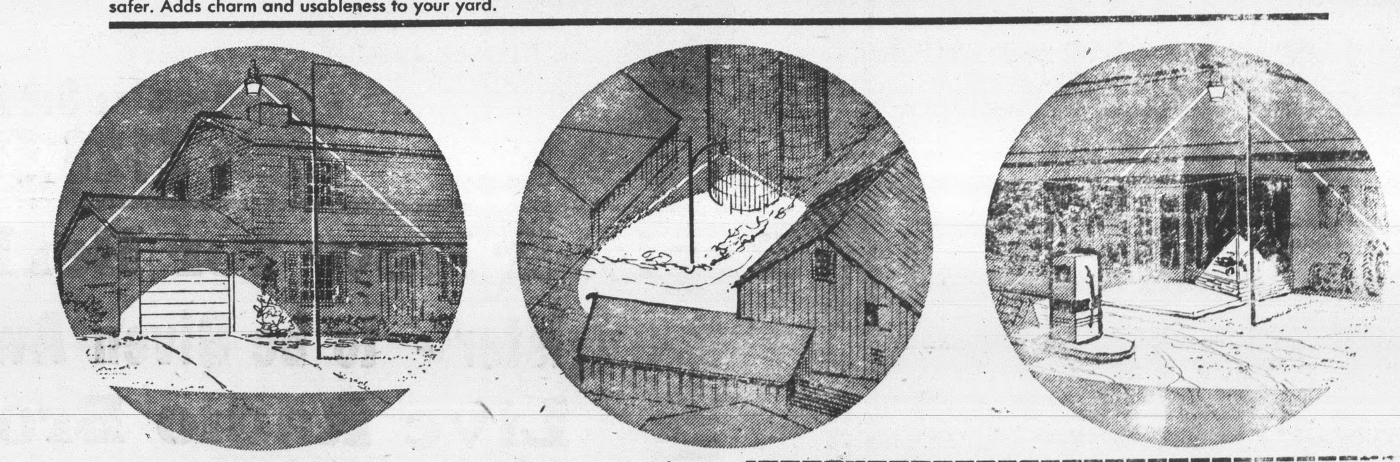

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